



7<sup>th</sup> February 2025

*“Learning Together for Life”*

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we are excited to launch the Friends of Hartford Manor Big Read, a fantastic fundraiser celebrating the joy of reading. Running until World Book Day on 6th March, children can take part in a 14-day or 28-day daily reading challenge, with a variety of fun tasks designed to promote a love of books. Further details have been sent home in children’s book bags this week—we hope you’ll support them in taking part!

We’ve also been enjoying some wonderful performances in our assemblies. Our talented musicians are showcasing their progress at the beginning and end of their assemblies, and we’ve introduced performance poetry to Monday assemblies.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to a brilliant few weeks of reading, music, and poetry.

Best wishes,

**Simon Kidwell**  
**Principal**

<b><u>School Dinners</u></b>	Next week we will be on menu 3. Please pay for your meals via School Gateway.
<b><u>FunFest Holiday Club</u></b>	FunFest will be running a holiday club at Hartford Manor during February half-term. To book a space please visit: <a href="https://fun-fest.co.uk/hartfordmanor/">https://fun-fest.co.uk/hartfordmanor/</a>
<b><u>School Photographs:</u></b> <b><u>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February</u></b> <b><u>(individuals)</u></b> <b><u>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2025</u></b> <b><u>(Siblings)</u></b>	Tempest Photography will be returning to school on Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February to take individual photographs of the children. On Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February, they will be taking sibling photographs of the children. <b>Please ensure that all children are wearing their full school uniform (no P.E kits).</b>
<b><u>Smart Watches</u></b>	<p>We have noticed that a number of children are now wearing smart watches in school. Currently, we collect in mobile phones at the start of the school day and return them at the end. This policy is in place to prevent interruptions from messages, notifications, and the use of camera functions during the school day.</p> <p>Many of the latest smart watches also have these features, including messaging, notifications, and cameras. If these functions cannot be disabled, we will follow the same procedure as we do for mobile phones. Children will be asked to hand in their smart watches at the beginning of the day and collect them before going home</p> <p>We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a focused and safe learning environment.</p>
<b><u>After School Clubs Booking System</u></b>	<p>After school activities will start again after half term.</p> <p>You will be able to book activities from <b>6.00pm today</b>, using our on-line Events Booking System. To access the booking system, you will need to log on to: <a href="https://hartfordmanor.parentseveningsystem.co.uk">https://hartfordmanor.parentseveningsystem.co.uk</a></p>

Look for the activity your child is interested in and click on the box “continue, open for bookings”, click “book”, then click “book” again on the next screen to confirm you booking.

A full list of all clubs and details of any charges are listed below.

For all sports and dance clubs, children must wear appropriate clothing and footwear. Please ensure that all children have football boots and shin pads to take part in football.

**Turning Circle 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

Please do not park on the turning circle on Monday and Tuesday as we have a school trip and need to keep the area accessible for the coach. The turning circle can be used for drop-off and collection only. Thank you for your co-operation.

**Diary Dates**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Event</u></b>
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Year 3 Day Trip (Please note that there will be no parking on the turning circle)
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Year 3 Day Trip (Please note that there will be no parking on the turning circle)
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	School Closes for half term
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	School closed- INSET day
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	School re-opens
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Tempest Photographs (Individuals)- Full school uniform required
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Tempest Photographs (siblings only)- Full school uniform required
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025	FOHM Spring disco- details to follow after the half-term break.

**HOLIDAY DATES 2024 - 25**

<b>HOLIDAY PERIOD</b>	<b>DATE OF CLOSING</b>	<b>DATE OF RE-OPENING</b>
SUMMER 2024	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2024
AUTUMN HALF TERM 2024	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024
CHRISTMAS 2024	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025
SPRING HALF TERM 2025	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025
SPRING BREAK 2025	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025
SUMMER HALF TERM 2025	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025
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<b>INSET DAYS</b>	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025
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### Spring 2 Clubs

Activity	Year Group	Start Date	End Date	Time	Teacher/ Organisation	Charge	Places
DRAMA	Year 1/2	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	3.20-4.15	Mrs Argent - Belcher		10
DANCE HALL	Year 3,4,5,6	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February Not 3 <sup>rd</sup> March or 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	3.20-4.15	Rachel Cheshire	£16 – 4 weeks payments to Rachel Cheshire Please pay on 1 <sup>st</sup> session <b>Dance wear / PE kit needed</b>	25
FOOTBAL L	Year 5/6	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	3.20-4.15	Dfc-coaching	£7.50 - 5 weeks <b>Football boots/Shin pads needed</b> Please pay before 1 <sup>st</sup> session	25
MULTISKI LLS	Year 1/2	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	3.20 – 4.15	K T Sports	£20- 5 weeks payments to K T Sports Ltd ACC: 35959606 SORT: 60-40-08 REF: Your child's name Please pay on / before 1 <sup>st</sup> session	25
GARDENI NG CLUB	Year 1/2	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	3.30-4.15	Miss Hadfield and Mrs Heywood		15
FOOTBAL L	KS2 GIRLS ONLY	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	3.20-4.15	Dfc-coaching	£7.50 - 5 weeks <b>Football boots/Shin pads needed</b> Please pay before 1 <sup>st</sup> session	25
NETBALL	Year 3/4	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	3.20-4.15	K T Sports	£20 - 5 weeks payments to K T Sports Ltd ACC: 35959606 SORT: 60-40-08 REF: Your child's name Please pay on / before 1 <sup>st</sup> session	25
LEGO	Year 1/2	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	3.20-4.15	Mrs Diamond		17
EASTER CRAFTS	Year 3/4	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	3.20-4.15	Mrs Burrows		20
GOLF	Year 5/6	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	3.20-4.15	K T Sports	£24 - 6 weeks payments to K T Sports Ltd ACC: 35959606 SORT: 60-40-08 REF: Your child's name Please pay on / before 1 <sup>st</sup> session	25
DARTS	Year 4/5	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	3.20-4.15	Mrs Ghagan		12

\*\*\*Please note that there will be no clubs 24-27<sup>TH</sup> March due to parents' evening \*\*\*

# February Half-Term



Hartford Manor

17th - 21st February 2025

AM

PM

Mon

Sports Action

Under the Sea

Mad About Science

Minute to win it

Tues

Dance Nation

Scavenger Hunt

Crafty Creations

Sports Action

Weds

Barmy Origami

Sports Action

Lego Adventures

Sand Fest

Thurs

Sports Action

Great Outdoors

Lights, Camera, Action

Pottery

Fri

Picturesque Painting

Sports Action

Fun Day Friday